

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Claim 2 (twice amended) The cartilage and bone morphogenetic repairing composition as claimed in claim 14, wherein the polypropylene glycol as a constituent of said polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene glycol has a molecular weight of about 1,500-4,000 and the ethylene oxide content is about 40-80% per molecule.

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Claim 8 (amended) The method of claim 15 wherein the polypropylene glycol as a constituent of the polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene glycol of said composition has a molecular weight of about 1,500 to 4,000 and the ethyleneoxide content of the polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene glycol is about 40 to 80% per molecule.

Claim 9 (amended) The method of claim 8 wherein the polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene glycol is about 10 to 50% by weight of the aqueous solution.

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Claim 14 (trice amended) A cartilage and bone morphogenetic repairing composition comprising a collagen-free aqueous solution of a polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene glycol and an effective amount of a bone morphogenetic protein, the molecular weight of polypropylene glycol as a constituent of said polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene glycol molecule is 900 to 4000 and the ethylene oxide content is 5 to 90% by weight of the polyoxyethylene-